(b) if so, the action taken against the culprits;

(c) if not, whether Government would conduct investigation in this matter; and

(d) the steps taken by Government to prevent recurrence of such incidents in future?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT AND POVERTY ALLEVIATION (SHRI BANDARU DATTATRAYA): (a) to (c)Yes, Sir. The Delhi Jal Board (DJB) has reported that one Engineer and four employees of M/s Dagremont India Ltd. lost their lives in an accident which occurred on 15.6.2003 at the Sewage Treatment Plant of DJB at Rithala that was maintained by the said firm under a contract with DJB. While Delhi Police is investigating into the matter. M/s Dagremont has already paid compensation to the legal heirs of the deceased employees as per the provision of Indian Workmen compensation Act. The National Human Rights Commission has also taken cognizance of the matter.

(d)The Delhi Jal Board has laid down comprehensive guidelines on safety norms, procedures and measures and has been updating the same by holding workshops on the said norms and procedures. The Delhi Jal Board has also been organizing safety training programmes conducted by Delhi Productivity Council at Sewage Treatment Plant, Rithala for training of workers of Delhi Jal Board where the Engineers, technical staff including staff of M/s Dagremont and workers participated. With a view to update the safety manual incorporating the various safety provisions in existence as well as to suggest new measures, an expert Committee consisting of representatives of DJB, Chief Inspector of Factories, Chief Fire Officer and the Adviser, Central Public Health & Environmental Engineering Organisation (CPHEEO) has been set up.

Poverty Alleviation Programmes in Rajasthan

2144. SHRI SANTOSH BAGRODIA: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT AND POVERTY ALLEVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the Centrally-Sponsored Schemes and Programmes on Poverty alleviation formulated and implemented in Rajasthan during the last three years;

(b) the details of the funds allocated, released and actually utilized in the State during this period, district-wise; and

(c) the details of the achievements made in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT AND POVERTY ALLEVIATION (SHRI BANDARU DATTATRAYA): (a) The Ministry of Urban Development & Poverty Alleviation has been implementing Swarna Jayanti Shahari Rojgar Yojana (SJSRY), a Centrally sponsored urban poverty alleviation scheme, with effect from 01.12.1997, subsuming all previous programmes, for the benefit of urban poor, on all India basis, including Rajasthan, with a view to providing gainful employment to the urban unemployed or under-employed poor through, firstly, encouraging the setting up of self-employment ventures by those, who have studied upto 9th standard and secondly, by providing wage employment by utilising their labour for construction of socially and economically useful public assets. The scheme is funded in the ratio of 75:25 between the Centre and the States.

(b) District-wise data is not maintained in the Ministry. However, the details of the funds allocated, released and actually utilised in the State during the last three years are as under:—

(Rs. in lakhs)

Year	Central Funds allocated	Central Funds released	Expenditure reported (including unspent balance of old UPA Programmes)
2000-2001	643.53	376.08 32.64	541.32
2001-2002	643.53	402.53#	534.23
2002-2003	349.20		218.02

Additiorial funds released due to transfer of additional funds from non-performing States to Rajasthan, being a better performing States.

(c) The details of physical achievements under various components of SJSRY, in the State during the last three years, are as under:—

Year	Urban Self Employment Programme		Number of mandays of work generated under Urban wage Employment Programme
	Beneficiaries Assisted	Persons Trained	(in lakhs)
2000-2001	8173	3854	10.49
2001-2002	5303	3300	2.58
2002-2003	7599	1408	3.82

Subsidy to states for VAMBAY

2145. SHRI PARMESHWAR KUMAR AGARWALLA: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT AND POVERTY ALLEVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Government have hiked the subsidy given to the States for the Valmiki Ambedkar Awas Yojana;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the amount released so far, since inception of the scheme, State-wise; and

(d) the progress made so far, State-wise?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT AND POVERTY ALLEVIATION (SHRI BANDARU DATTATRAYA): (a) No Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

(c) and (d)The State-wise cumulative details of the amount released and progress made so far, under Valmiki Ambedkar Awas Yojana (VAMBAY) since its inception, are enclosed as Statement.